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meta information relating said java classes, interfaces and libraries;

a deployment descriptor;

wherein said resource adapter is packaged in accordance with a Java ARchive format into a resource adapter archive.

- 3. (New) The resource adapter of Claim 2, further comprising multiple property sets, each of said multiple property sets related to a configured instance of a same enterprise information system.
- 4. (New) The resource adapter of Claim 2, wherein said deployment descriptor comprises a connector.
- 5. (New) The resource adapter of Claim 2, wherein the deployment descriptor comprises a contract between a connector provider and a deployer.
- 6. (New) The resource adapter of Claim 5, wherein the deployment descriptor comprises declarative information intended for said deployer for utilize for deployment of the resource adapter in a target operational environment.
- 7. (New) A computer system for administering an enterprise information system in a client server environment having a computer program product that collaborates with an application server to provide services offered by the enterprise information system to the client, the computer program product comprising:

java classes and interfaces for implementing connector contracts and functionality of the computer program product;

native libraries required by the computer program product;

meta information relating said java classes, interfaces and libraries;

a deployment descriptor;

wherein said computer program product is packaged in accordance with a Java ARchive format into a resource adapter archive.

